

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph [0054] with the following amended paragraph.

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Fig. 7 is a flow chart showing the second example operations of the receiver device 2. After network connection has been established with the external device by way of an unillustrated network line, in step S51 the main control section 21 conducts negotiations with the external device by way of the communications control section 22, with regard to the capability of processing a TIFF file. Particularly, there is exchanged information about whether or not the structure of a TIFF file sent from the sender device to the external device corresponds to a sequential TIFF file. After completion of negotiations, the main control section 21 issues an instruction to the communications control section 22, thereby causing the same to receive a TIFF file in step S52. The received TIFF file is sequentially and temporarily stored in the communications buffer 23.